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AUTO WORKERS IN THE SQUIRREL CAGE

# 'Voluntary wage-cut' plan fails to halt job crisis in near-monopoly industry

By Lawrence Emery

LAST March 30 Rep. Shepard J. Crumpacker (R-Ind.) urged a Federal Trade Commission investigation of charges that General Motors and Ford are attempting to monopolize the auto industry. He cited their capture of 86.7% of the automotive market, pointed to the extreme difficulties of the then independent Studebaker Co., one of the biggest industrial plants in his home town of South Bend.

The Administration was cold to any Congressional action in this field; GM, the top U. S. corporation doing a $10-billion-a-year business, holds a commanding influence in the Eisenhower government. GM personnel were very busy people at the Republican natl. convention in 1952. When the GOP won GM pres. Charles E. Wilson became Secy. of Defense; GM's biggest Chevrolet dealer, Arthur Summerfield, became Postmaster General; Douglas McKay, big Chevrolet-Cadillac dealer, became Secy. of the Interior; and Joseph Dodge, former head of GM's Natl. Bank of Detroit, became Eisenhower's first Budget Director. GM holds a lion's share of all defense contracts.

**"WE'RE INNOCENT":** Following Crumpacker's demand, GM pres. Harlow H. Curtice denied any monopoly practices or that his company was engaging in an industrial war of overproduction to kill off competitors; a Ford spokesman made a similar declaration. Both insisted their increased production "reflects the demand from our customers." To head off any further trust-busting talk, Atty. Gen. Brownell on April 29 said his Justice Dept. would make its own investigation of the auto industry for possible "collusion or the suppression of competition." Insiders considered that the end of the matter.

But the fact is that of all U. S. industry, auto shows the fastest, sharpest trend toward monopoly. Since autos were first built, some 2,000 firms have entered—and left—the field. A generation ago there were still a score of producers. By last week there were six. Of these the Big Three—GM, Ford and Chrysler—accounted for about 95% of production. Actually there was only a Big Two because Chrysler was slipping way behind with only 7.5% of total production as of the week ending Aug. 14.

**THE LITTLE THREE:** Remaining independents are now, by mergers, reduced to three. To weather the competitive storms, Kaiser and Willys

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**They came to mourn for their friend Marc** ASP Workshop photo

*They were white and Negro, Irish, Jewish, Italian, Puerto Rican . . . everybody*

WASHINGTON INSANITY REACHES NEW HEIGHTS

# Congress railroads fascist laws

CONGRESS went seemingly mad last week as "liberal" Democrats, stung in an election year by Republican taunts of being soft on Communists, passed with dizzying speed and confusion a series of bills more fascist in character than any ever proposed, let alone enacted.

Due for final Congressional action some time on Wednesday, Aug. 18, with little prospect that sanity would prevail, was a combined bill that would (1) outlaw the Communist Party and subject its members and supporters to prison terms of five years and fines of $10,000, and (2) authorize the Subversive Activities Control Board to put out of business trade unions deemed by the Attorney General to be "infiltrated" by Communists.

**RAPE SCENE:** In addition, the Congress gave final approval and sent to the White House measures suspending the protection of the Fifth Amendment against self-incrimination by forcing witnesses to talk under a grant of "immunity"; providing harsh penalties for harboring fugitives; and making bail-jumping (punishment for which has heretofore been forfeiture of bail) a felony. The sole Senate vote against the immunity bill was cast by Sen. Herbert Lehman (D-N.Y.); he said his action was "not necessarily because

I am against the bill but because of the manner of its passage." Passage of this measure, considered by many a rape of the Constitution, got little attention in the midst of hectic Congressional disorder, but Constitutional expert Leonard B. Boudin in a letter to the N. Y. Times (8/12) said of it:

> "One is appalled at the moral, constitutional and practical implications of the bill."

Also sent to the White House was a bill providing death for espionage in peacetime, vastly enlarging existing laws against sabotage, and providing that persons trained in espionage and sabotage tactics by a foreign power register with the Justice Dept. By voice vote the Senate adopted and sent to the House another Administration-sponsored measure providing dismissal from private industry of all

> ". . . individuals as to whom there is reasonable ground to believe they may engage in sabotage, espionage or other subversive activities."

**STAMPEDE:** Senate Democrats, led by Hubert Humphrey, in a seeming effort to remove from themselves the curse of "treason," stampeded the Con-

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NEW YORK

# Tens of thousands bid Marc farewell as people's friend

By John T. McManus

THE heart of East Harlem poured out a last tribute and farewell on Thursday, Aug. 12, to its beloved friend and advocate, Vito Marcantonio, who died of a heart attack at 51 on a downtown Manhattan street on Aug. 9.

Tens of thousands passed through the modest First Avenue funeral home of Ralph Giordano where Marc's body lay on view for two afternoons and evenings before the funeral. For the funeral service only some 300 could be crowded into the small chapel, but some 10,000 people stood reverently in the streets outside; other thousands gathered at points throughout the community at which the cortege of more than 100 cars paused on the way to the cemetery.

**"A GREAT VOID":** Denied a Catholic burial by the hierarchy of the church of his birth, the selfless leader of the fight for peace and brotherhood was eulogized in a simple ceremony by three close friends—a neighborhood Methodist minister, his barber, and Dr. W. E. B. DuBois. The barber, Luigi Albarelli, said in Italian:

"Your passing, Marc, has left a great void not only in the liberal world, but even more so in the hearts of the people of your community whom you have worked for and defended so valiantly and whom you have loved so fervently over the years.

"Your name will ever remain in the story of the great martyrs who fought for the cause of justice and always in the cause of human dignity. . . . Your life has been a mission, unfinished it is true, but a mission which we who remain behind will continue to carry on to the best of our ability.

"Let your soul rest in peace. Your life was ever dedicated to lighten the load of the people who were in need. You lived fearlessly and courageously, with affection in your heart for the common man. You were a man of the people and the people loved you.

"This is not goodbye, Marc, because we shall hold you in our memory and in our hearts. *A rivederci!*"

**"A DEEPLY RELIGIOUS MAN":** The minister, Rev. Nicola Notar, conducted a brief service in Italian and English and closed with these words:

"The things for which he stood and fought are cherished by thousands and thousands, far beyond the borders of New York. He will be remembered always for his devotion to the people. During the many years

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### Belfrage must stay!

BURBANK, CALIF.

Here is a trifle ($5) toward your defense. Forgive my not using the GUARDIAN's form—I do not like to mutilate the paper. I wish you the best of luck!

Though the papers blazoned it as a great event, Syngman Rhee's reception was not so wonderful. Los Angeles Mayor Poulson took pains to be absent, no Supervisors showed up, there weren't so many at the reception, and 50,000 leaflets describing Rhee's activities were distributed. **Frances D. Manning**

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HOUSTON, TEX.

Just a small check to aid in your fight for free speech and freedom of the press in the U.S.A. We who know how well you have fought for America's basic principles, are sincerely worried that it should come to such a strange pass as this. Keep hitting back. The real core of America is behind you and will win. **Morris Bogdanow**

### UP's swastika

RIVERSIDE, CALIF.

UP has finally arrived at the point at which it openly encourages anti-semitism. Note clipping and description (Riverside, Calif., Daily Press, Aug. 2) of Harold Zepelin, one of the alleged Communist leaders arrested in Denver early this month.

> **Zepelin, hooked-nosed and bespectacles, was born in Denver and became a Communist in 1946, the FBI said.**

GUARDIAN readers in this area are attempting to do something regarding this article.
**Reader of the GUARDIAN**

### Vito Marcantonio

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

It is impossible to describe the shock so many of us feel at the untimely death of Vito Marcantonio. However—as Marc would want us to do—we must not allow ourselves to be discouraged; instead we must dedicate ourselves to further the principles that he fought for so strongly **E. L.**

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GREENFIELD PARK, N. Y.

He never betrayed or sold out the cause of the working people and his heart and devotion was always in the interest of the struggling working people. His life's work will shine always for his unselfish way in offering assistance to all at any hour of the day. I know "Marc" would want us to go forward more united, more devoted to the fight that took his young life. **A Friend**

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BROOKLYN, N. Y.

In respectful and affectionate tribute to Marc:

Do not, I pray you, mourn the dead
Who dead in honor lie
For Nature has but claimed her own
All mortal bodies die.

But toll a mournful bell for them
Who nothing leave behind
No book or song, no deed or dream
Enriching all Mankind.
**Muriel I. Symington**

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

In the brief span of his life, Vito Marcantonio's achievements had assumed a scope equalled by few in our times, and they summon up memories of "Old Thad" (Thaddeus Stevens). **James W. Ford**

### Or maybe not

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Admitting the H-bomb "could destroy half the world's civilization," 79-year-old Syngman Rhee is convinced "war must come soon."

He should live so long.
**Colton P. Pick**

### Only the oil left

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA

I just wish you could be down here now in Central America with me! These countries, so full of the world's most beautiful bananas, are slowly being purged of all subversive influences. In fact, almost all influences. **Pro Bono, Banano**

### Guatemala Anthem

SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

Sing a song of six-guns
Backing up a lie,
Four-and-twenty vultures
Cutting up a pie;
When the pie was opened
The birds began to sing,
"To hell with democracy,
"United Fruit is King!"

Sing a song of bandits,
Pockets full of loot,
All grabbed at gun point
By United Fruit;
Workers' laws were canceled
And their right to vote;
What a pretty dish to have
Rammed down your throat!
**A. H. Reed**

### China missionaries

BALTIMORE, MD.

Today there remain in China 129 foreign Catholic missionaries. Of these, 23 are in prison and 106 free. (See Catholic Review, Aug. 6, 1954.) So China has not completely destroyed Christianity and if we admitted China to the UN, returned to her Formosa and withdrew every American soldier from Korea, I feel sure that China would gladly welcome back the missionaries. Why should we ruin all the missions in China to please dictator Adm. Radford and the bloody Syngman Rhee? After reading the speech of Syngman Rhee before Congress, I have concluded: South Korea started the war and then squealed to us for help. **Lewis B. Robinson**

### Chinese students in U. S.

NEW YORK, N. Y.

We are a group of Chinese science, medical and engineering students. All of us have planned to return home after the completion of our academic studies in this country.

In September, 1951, nine Chinese students in the field of technical sciences (along with two children) aboard a ship bound for Hong Kong were forced to leave the ship at Honolulu and to abandon their homeward journey. Since then, as far as we are aware, Chinese students in the field of technical sciences were given an order forbidding their departure whenever they applied to the immigration authorities for exit permits.

During the last three years some of us have repeatedly applied for permission to leave this country, but to no avail. Even after the disclosure of the news that 15 Chinese students in the field of technical sciences are to be released, our applications to the immigration authorities for permission to leave the U.S. still were unsuccessful. On the ground of human rights, we feel that any Chinese student who wishes to leave this country should be allowed to do so.

We have sent a letter to President Eisenhower. It will be greatly appreciated if you would make our appeal known.
**A group of Chinse students**

### Teen-age view

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y.

Knowing the plight the GUARDIAN is in this year I have enclosed in this letter $2 for you to use as you see fit. I'm sorry I can't send you more, but the money a 12-year-old can earn is not very much.

Maybe you think the wool has been pulled over teen-agers' eyes, but it hasn't, not by a long shot; the kids of today can think as good as ever. In the many debates we have at school the progressive thinkers almost always win the "battle." **R. R.**

### Maurice's lip

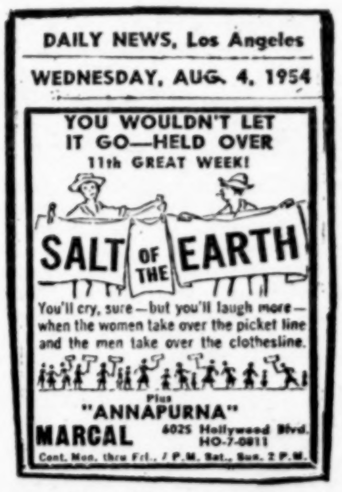
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

I heard over the radio that Maurice Chevalier, for the sake of an American visa, has sold his honor, convictions and become a renegade to his own words. When he signed the Stockholm Peace petition, what noble words he spoke! Who can trust him now?
**A Loyal Reader**

### About "Salt"

HERMOSA BEACH, CALIF.

Re Libby Powell's letter in the Aug. 2 GUARDIAN. Please correct her assertion that all L. A. papers refused paid ads for Salt.
**J. Hiner**




### One Humanity

CLINTON, ILL.

Men honor men with letters of the alphabet, titles, honorary positions and chairmanships with profuse platitudes in their mutual praise societies and conventions. It is all of the Fascist mind, craving royalty, begging aristocracy, cultivating snobbery; parochialism; the negation of democracy, the antithesis of Christ-like oneness and diametrically opposed to the principle of One God, One Humanity, One Religion. **P. E. Roll**

### The name fits

LAKE BLUFF, ILL.

Never was a publication more aptly named. Without your magazine and the efforts of those who think and strive as you do, this country would go down in self-destruction. **H. B. Curtis**

### Wall Street too

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

I wish to bring up a point of how important it is that we endeavor to have peaceful co-existence and negotiations between all countries. Take for example New York City: It didn't take millions of days' work to build this city—it took billions. Just one H-bomb dropped here would destroy it all in a matter of seconds, Wall St included. **Charles M. Rockwell**

### Word beginning with "P"

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Dulles has burning ambition
To provoke war for China's partition.
If he's not blocked—in time
Both our reason and rhyme
Dictate, we must end with "PERDITION." **Lawrence Gellert**

### How crazy can you get dept.

**Anything with the word "social" in it creates suspicion, believe Arthur Lerson, Undersecy. of Labor.. So in addressing a meeting of the Economics Club of Chicago on Social Security, he titled his talk "Income Insurance."**
**—Western Report Newsletter to Modern Personnel Management, Aug., 1954.**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*"Give up money, give up fame, give up science, give up the earth itself and all it contains rather than to do an immoral act. And never suppose that in any possible situation, or under any circumstances, it is best for you to do a dishonorable thing, however slightly so it may appear to you."—THOMAS JEFFERSON.*

## REPORT TO READERS

# The target is YOU

AS THIS ISSUE of the GUARDIAN reaches you, Editor Cedric Belfrage will be facing the resumption of government proceedings to deport him. There was no mistaking the nature of the questions directed at him in the initial "hearing" Aug. 10, concerning GUARDIAN policies on the Rosenberg Case and on the Administration's assorted war against its own and other peoples. The attack on Belfrage now, after his more than two decades of unchallenged residence in the U. S., is transparently an attack on the GUARDIAN as an anti-war paper.

The GUARDIAN's 48-state readership is at the very base of the anti-war, anti-fascist sentiment of the country. For affirmation of this, consider yourself in relation to the people of your own community: who, beside yourself and those in agreement with you, has represented a challenge to Washington's domestic and foreign policies of violence during the last nine years?

YOU, individually and collectively with men and women like you in every American community, are the stubborn roadblock to war and the police state. Thus any medium of information and intercommunication utilized or sustained by you becomes a prime target.

The McCarthy-McCarran forces, no matter how high-riding they may seem today, have no hope of changing your mind or forcing you to agree with them in any particular.

They do have every intention of isolating you, cutting your lines of communication and sources of information, preventing you from moving and speaking freely against war and fascism. This is the essence of the attack on Belfrage and on the GUARDIAN. The attack is against you, and we must ask your help NOW in fighting it off.

The battle is on. Are you in it?

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WAR & PEACE

# W. Europe steps up drive for settlement with Russia

By Tabitha Petran

THE dilemmas of Washington's cold-warriors continued to deepen: with the debacle in Asia still fresh, they faced what the N.Y. **Herald Tribune** (8/14) called "the danger of collapse . . . [of] the major cornerstone of American policy"—German rearmament through the European Defense Community. As the date (Aug. 28) neared for EDC's consideration by the French Assembly, the air was filled with forebodings of "international catastrophe" and "endless chaos" (Sen. Wiley) if it is not ratified.

Yet EDC, important as it is (French ratification in almost any form would probably permit German rearmament to proceed), is not Washington's chief problem. The basic force undermining the Atlantic alliance is "the growing tendency in W. Europe . . . to believe that the Western powers should agree to negotiate with Russia on European problems . . . and seek some accommodation with the Kremlin" (**NYHT, 8/14**). That tendency was gaining momentum last week with the British Labour Party delegation's visit to Moscow and Peking; "the torrent of goodwill" with which Soviet hosts overwhelmed their guests (**NYHT, 8/15**); "the two-way flow of visitors [between Britain and the U.S.S.R.] that may soon assume tidal dimensions" (N. Y. **Times, 8/12**), including a projected parliamentary visit at the Supreme Soviet's invitation this fall. That the Churchill government is a party to this move for closer relations with the U.S.S.R. and China was clear; the **Wall St. Journal** (8/13) found

> ". . . this desire for chummy relations with the Communists . . . by no means confined to the [Labour] Party. . . . This new boom in travel on the London-Moscow-Peking run . . . can hardly lead to an effective Anglo-American defense against Communism."

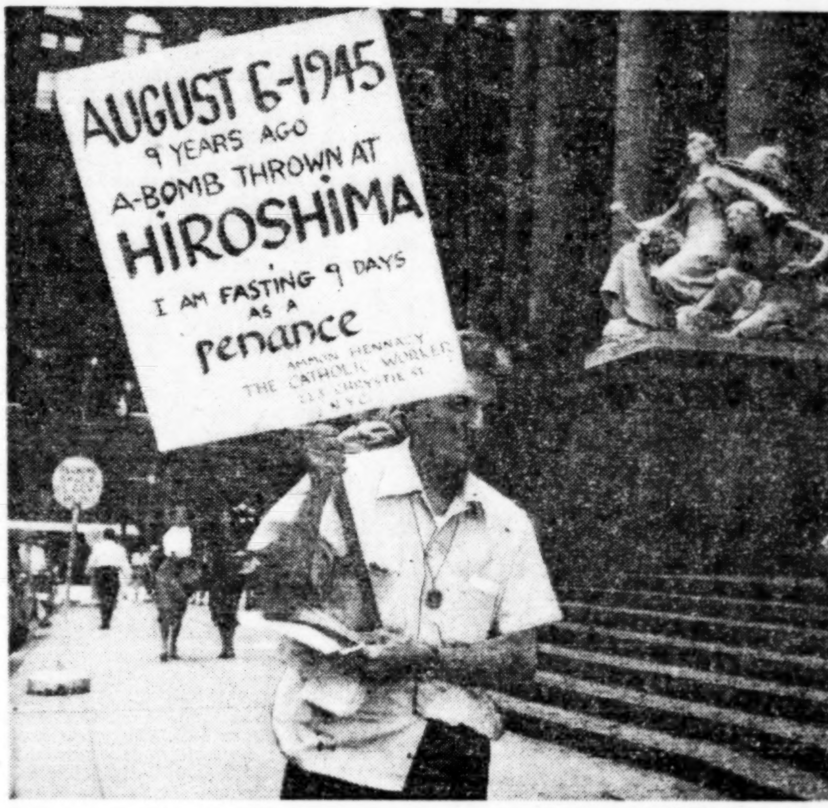
**ADENAUER'S TOLLING BELL:** Time was running out for Washington's policy of organizing W. Europe for war. In W. Germany, whose spectacular export drive was powered by a low-wage economy (unskilled workers average about $24 a month), the most widespread strikes in more than 20 years—coupled with the damaging defection of intelligence chief Dr. Otto John—in **Business Week's** view (8/14) tolled "the end of the Adenauer era." It was generally conceded that John's subsequent attacks on Adenauer's policy, and Adenauer's ineptness in handling the whole question, could not have been more injurious to the government. It was also highly embarrassing to Washington whose top officials, including Central Intelligence chief Allen Dulles, sponsored John's recent six-week trip here and "had several frank talks with him" (Robert S. Allen, N. Y. **Post**, 8/11).

(Washington's attempt to take the sting out of John's E. Berlin press conference for some 300 Western correspondents by producing Soviet defector Yuri Rostvorov, who has been in the U.S. since January, failed to impress Washington correspondents. James Reston [NYT, 8/15] said if "Washington and Moscow are to go on throwing defectors at each other, the art of 'surfacing' in Washington has clearly got to be improved.")

### Courteous self-brainwashing

Dr. Otto John [at his Berlin press conference] . . . was completely at ease after he read a prepared statement. Pink-cheeked and robust, he was the picture of health and there was virtually unanimous opinion among the foreign press that if there was any "brainwashing" he did it himself in reaching the decision to go East.

—Winston-Salem (N.C.) Journal, Aug. 12.




ASP Workshop photo

**He won't pay for H-bombs**

**Continuing his practice of picketing a federal tax office on each anniversary of Hiroshima, Catholic pacifist-anarchist Ammon Hennacy turned up Aug. 6 outside the U.S. Customs House on Lower Broadway. His "penance, prayer and protest" vigil, during which he maintains a fast, lasted until Aug. 14. Hennacy refuses to pay income tax because most of it goes for war; each year he notifies the FBI in advance of the date on which he will resume his "subversive picketing."**

**THE DR. JOHN BOMBSHELL:** John told the newsmen at the conference:

- The U.S. is organizing a Western military crusade against the socialist world, using Britain, France, W. Germany as "tools." It is "following the strategy of Hitler and the General Staff, which aimed at conducting war against the East from the basis of a militarily united West."
- The EDC treaties contain "secret codicils" dealing with "aggression against the East." (Two years ago France's ex-premier Edward Herriot, Honorary Speaker of the Assembly, said he had documentary proof of such codicils' existence.)
- EDC is geared to domination by the Germany army, which "will take over other EDC contingents, including the French army." The whole U.S. policy of remilitarizing W. Germany is "helping the Nazis and militarists back in the saddle," and will make unavoidable a war which will leave Germany "a radioactive graveyard."

John's charges shook W. Germany to its foundations because they "struck certain notes in the German consciousness" (**NYT, 8/15**) and voiced popular fears. The charges were the more devastating, **NYT** added, because of the widespread impression that John is sincere and the clear fact "that there is no solution for the German problem along the lines proposed by the West." French ratification of EDC might tie Bonn more closely to the West but, as **BW** said (8/14), "it won't check the demand in W. Germany for a new policy toward the Communist bloc" which alone can offer unity and markets. A significant straw in the wind was a Bonn report (**NYHT, 8/16**) that, following receipt of proposed French EDC revisions, advisers were urging Adenauer to talk with French Premier Mendes-France not about EDC but "about arranging a new East-West meeting with Russia on the problem of German reunification."

Nurnberger Nachrichten, Germany

**"Careful, Big Boy! I'm radioactive."**

**BETWEEN 2 CALAMITIES:** In France, Mendes-France's complicated maneuvres—designed to revise the treaty enough to get the necessary votes for it, but not enough to provoke rejection by other EDC members—had created "one of the most confused and critical diplomatic tangles yet to confront the Atlantic alliance" (**NYT, 8/16**). The explanation of his moves probably lay in his reported comment (**Nation, 8/7**): "The ratification of EDC would be a national calamity for France; but its non-ratification might be an international calamity." In other words he was trying to get a decision without a break with Washington on the one hand, and without risking worsened relations with Moscow on the other.

According to opponents of EDC, Mendes-France's revisions would leave its substance untouched; proponents said they would reduce EDC to an empty shell.

**STALLING A SETTLEMENT:** Unconfirmed reports insisted Mendes-France would make Assembly ratification of EDC conditional on new talks with Moscow before the Senate is asked to ratify, thus leaving open the possibility that there would be no need to implement EDC. But U.S. correspondents said Western officials believed any promise to talk with Moscow could be ignored once EDC is ratified. In line with this strategy, London and Washington decided to delay replying to the Soviet four-power talks proposal until after France has acted.

Washington's opposition to such talks was stronger last week than ever. **NYT** (8/14) said it would be unwilling to trade EDC "for even quite a favorable German settlement." Its greatest fear was that Molotov would "offer Germany unity on reasonable terms as a price for abandoning the European Army project." In the eyes of many W. Europeans Moscow's projected all-European security system would open the door to just such a reasonable settlement.

The real question seemed rather to be what alternative Washington had to such a conference if it were to escape from the impossible dilemma created by the anachronism of its policy in today's world. Recent developments have produced what **Christian Science Monitor** (8/12) called "a new tack of foreign policy" necessitated by the fact that "the co-existence theme has dented the American strategy of military confrontation." The "new tack" was seen in the President's use of "partnership" terminology, his views against U.S. withdrawal from UN and his recent denunciation of preventive war.

**A SKEPTICAL WELCOME:** Some such assurance was unavoidable after Korean President Rhee's call for a world A- and H-bomb war and his assertion that Eisenhower's views differed from his own only on timing; after Gen. Mark Clark's demand for a diplomatic break with the U.S.S.R. and aggressive war; after a House committee's denunciation of co-existence as a "communist myth," and former Ambassador Bullitt's advocacy of war on China (**Look, 8/24**).

The President's words were at once welcomed and greeted skeptically in W. Europe and Britain, where large segments of opinion believe that "with the period of Western nuclear superiority drawing to a close" Americans will become more reckless "in the short time it remains dominant" (**CSM, 8/12**).

**SOLEMN INSANITY:** Unaltered was the fact that Washington's policy can lead only to war. This month ex-President Hoover, reaching 80, made a further much-headlined contribution to the campaign to conceal this fact and keep Americans from remembering that Franklin D. Roosevelt (whom most of them supported) based his policy on peaceful co-existence. Hoover's oration—full of contempt for the "common man," glorification of "leadership of uncommon men," hatred for "all the peace agencies we have created"; attacking U.S. recognition of Russia which "opened the headgates for a torrent of traitors" and participation in World War II "which spread communism over the world"—gave authentic voice to the Eisenhower Administration's dogma and goals.

A "new line of action" in foreign affairs is imperative, said Hoover who has advocated go-it-alone atomic war. If such a course seemed like insanity to most Americans, the Oppenheimer hearings have shown how powerful those who think Hoover's way are becoming.

Charleston, W. Va., Gazette

**THE BIG PARADE**

The fact likewise remained that such people cannot be blocked so long as their supposed opponents accept the premises: "policy of strength" and the anti-communist mania. Hoover's speech had shown at least how much a return to Roosevelt's policies — co-existence and respect for the common man — is the order of the day in the U.S.

IN HONDURAS THE YANKEE BOOT IS WELL POLISHED
*But the barefoot boy will one day be part of the social revolution.*

LATIN AMERICA

# Guatemala junta held up by U.S. power; regime terrorizes people, shackles unions

By Kumar Goshal

THE insecurity of the U. S.-sponsored Guatemalan government of Col. Castillo Armas was made apparent three weeks ago when army cadets, backed by regulars from the Aurora air base, clashed violently with Castillo's "liberation army." Starting as a comic-opera brawl in a brothel, the clash developed into a battle bloody enough to indicate the army's lack of confidence in the dictator. Castillo arrested seven top army leaders and two Aurora base emissaries he had invited to discuss a compromise, but only after acceding to the army's demands for disarming and disbanding of his "liberation" forces and a guarantee of no reprisals against the rebel cadets.

The **N. Y. Times** reported Castillo's junta "firmly in control" after the clash, and a "vast outpouring of popular support" for him. Unconvincing demonstrations were organized, demanding that his two partners be dropped and Castillo made sole dictator. But the well-informed Alvarez del Vayo reported in the **Nation** (8/14) that only U. S. Ambassador Peurifoy's influence was holding the junta together. The army revolt, said del Vayo,

> ". . . could never have taken place if Guatemala had been as full of enthusiasm for Castillo Armas and hate for Arbenz as many commentators tried to make us believe."

**CIO REPORTS ON TERROR:** It was clearly this sense of insecurity that had made Castillo ban all political parties and trade unions, scrap the constitution, and determined to try elected ex-President Arbenz on criminal charges. Castillo appointed as head of the secret police Bernabe Linares who, in the same position, had made the secret police the main instrument of repression under former dictator Ubico. While the AFL's Romualdi approved Castillo's "anti-Red" stand, the CIO's Daniel Benedict—sent with Romualdi to help reorganize Guatemala's trade unions—reported in the **CIO News** (8/16) the reign of terror prevailing in Guatemala. According to Benedict:

- Employers are using "suppression of communism . . . as a cover for dismissal and jailing of non-Communist workers suspected of . . . democratic trade unionism";
- "Between 5,000 and 8,000 people" have been jailed, and "the long lines of obviously poor Indian peasant women . . . waiting outside the jails with little baskets of food [for] their arrested menfolk were certainly no indication that [those] in jail are . . . Communist agitators";
- "The United Fruit-controlled IRCA (Intl. Ry. of Central America) . . . has taken the lead in . . . drawing up blacklists of union men to be fired."

**"GROTESQUE ACCIDENT":** Resistance to Castillo was building up underground. Leaflets signed by CNRP (Natl. Comm. for Patriotic Reconstruction) were appearing in the capital, declaring that "democracy will be reconquered by popular unity." As del Vayo wrote:

> "In the long run nobody will be able to stop the social revolution which, as in Asia and Africa, is on the way in Latin America, [and people like Castillo] will ultimately be left behind as grotesque accidents in the historical process."

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### POESY DEPT.

*(U. S. Diplomatic Divn.)*

The following composition, written by the wife of U. S. Ambassador Peurifoy who stage-managed the overthrow of Guatemala's elected government, appeared in **Time** (7/26):

*Sing a song of quetzals [$1], pockets full of peace!*
*The junta's in the palace, they've taken out a lease.*
*The Commies are in hiding, just across the street;*
*To the embassy of Mexico they beat a quick retreat.*
*And pistol-packing Peurifoy looks mighty optimistic*
*For the land of Guatemala is no longer Communistic!*

CALIFORNIA

# IPP holds lively convention, fall election policies set

MRS. ISOBEL CERNEY, Ind. Progressive Party candidate for U. S. Senator from California, reported morale "very high" at and after the IPP's 4th biennial state convention at Sacramento Aug. 7-8. The IPP could point to its success in reaching far beyond its own ranks in the primary campaigns. In a year when only ⅓ of the state's registered voters went to the polls, 10,700 Republican and 27,000 Democratic votes for Mrs. Cerney had been won through meetings, street and door-to-door campaigns. Negro and Mexican voters were flocking to the banner of IPP's Horace Alexander, the only Negro candidate for statewide office (Secy. of State), who is warmly commended by the Los Angeles Negro weeklies **Tribune** and **Herald-Dispatch.**

IPP must get 150,000 votes for one of its candidates for statewide office to stay on the ballot; **Tribune** thought Alexander had a good chance of making it. The other IPP statewide contender is young trade unionist Herbert Cohn for State Treasurer.

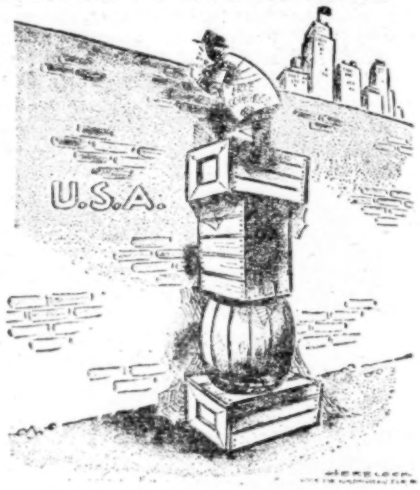
**ON THE MOVE:** Mrs. Cerney wrote to the GUARDIAN:

> "What is crystal clear is that Californians are on the move against Republican reaction. For the first time in 40 years the Democrats won their own nomination in the primaries, with Edward R. Roybal, Mexican-American Lt. Gov. candidate, as their highest vote-getter. Equally certain is that moral fury against the H-bomb and its politics is very great and cuts right across party, sex, occupation, national or racial origin and age lines."

Almost every county was represented by the 99 delegates to the IPP convention, which drew hundreds of observers and visitors. The party adopted a platform for peace, freedom and security, full equality for minority groups, and to create a peace-time economy (resumption of trade with all foreign nations, extension of public works, protection of labor's rights). Unanimously adopted were a resolution to get Morton Sobell out of Alcatraz, and a protest (authored by IPP's national champion vote-getter in 1952, U. S. Senate candidate Reuben Borough) against looting of the public domain, demanding resumption of work on TVA, Northwest and Southwest development programs.

The election policy statement stressed IPP support of big-party candidates opposing extreme reactionaries, but said such candidates "must be forced to commit themselves on the issues of peace, equal rights, a peacetime economy and the defeat of McCarthyism." The party hoped "the defeat of reaction this year" would "lay the necessary groundwork for a progressive victory in 1956." It reaffirmed its "fundamental belief in the need for a Third Party."

**THE RED CARPET:** On the first morning of the convention Mrs. Cerney joined a party of 20 IPP-ers outside the Palace Hotel in San Francisco where




Herblock in Washington Post
**"Anything new on trade policies?"**

S. Korean President Syngman Rhee was staying. They carried signs asking votes for IPP, and passed out leaflets protesting against Rhee's demand for H-bomb war and urging demands on President Eisenhower to censure such talk by Adm. Radford and others and to work for a ban on atomic weapons. Mrs. Cerney wrote:

> "As soon as the hotel staff rolled down the red carpet, my fellow-candidate Mrs. Olive Thompson and I decided people's candidates deserve a red carpet, so we walked over it many times before the evil old man arrived. He was so covered with special police and bodyguards we could not see his face, although we and our signs got in all the arrival photos. He got no applause from the handful of people there; he is very well hated hereabouts. As we saw the people's faces light up over our demonstration, and gratitude was expressed to us for saying what is on everybody's mind, I was seeing too the faces of beloved friends in Asia: the Korean women I met in Peking two years ago, and Kuo Mo Jo's sad, sensitive face as he said to us, 'Remember our children.'"

THAT'S A PRETTY GOOD MAST THEY'RE BACK OF
*The IPP candidates in California (l. to r.): Mrs. Olive Thompson, candidate for Congress in the 23d CD, Los Angeles; Horace V. Alexander, for Secretary of State; Mrs. Isobel Cerney, for U. S. Senator; Herbert Cohn, for State Treasurer.*

# The paid informer: 'Their use is a blot on justice in our land'

Attorney General Herbert Brownell
Dept. of Justice, Washington, D. C.
Dear Mr. Brownell:

Man has often expressed contempt and reserved severe condemnation for the paid informer. From the days of Judas, all nations and faiths have stigmatized informers, and some have even placed them outside the pale of society.

The status of the paid informer has not changed with time. Yet today our government rests what it asserts are efforts to achieve internal security largely on precisely such purchasable individuals.

Already wise voices have been raised in revulsion and in warning against the use of the paid informer. Among them were 17 nationally prominent ministers. Eight Philadelphia ministers have likewise expressed their concern.

Beginning to permeate our land are fear and suspicion of pastor, neighbors, friends and family, of a man's very thoughts. Such an atmosphere can only be disastrous to the moral fabric of our country. For under such circumstances, what is sacred and who is safe? Even a man like Bishop Oxnam has felt the venom of the paid informer.

We do not question the right of government to defend the democratic principles and procedures upon which our nation is founded. But if the case of the government against those it would prosecute is so weak that it must rely upon unprincipled informers, then it has no case.

Doubt rises in our minds—and facts give weight to the doubt. One patron of the informer, Sen. McCarthy, has used adulterated photographs and fabricated documents. He insists that government employes break their sacred trust and turn over to him secret and confidential documents. He thereby seeks to raise immorality to the level of moral principle. Senator Flanders of Vermont has adequately dealt with this.

Senator Chavez of New Mexico has already exposed the ill-repute of a Louis Budenz. Both the Federal Court in Philadelphia and the Alsop brothers, nationally syndicated columnists, have revealed the lying under oath of a Paul Crouch. The government has even reached into the precincts of the church in St. Louis to come up with one Obediah Jones, a paid informer garbed in clerical frock.

Nor is this the total record revealed in court, and exposed by reputable attorneys and journalists. Many were guilty of prior criminal misconduct, which made them especially subject to police pressure. In times less burdened with hysteria, their performances in court would be subject to doubt, their credibility totally in question.

We protest the use of paid informers. We reject and resent our government's placing upon them the stamp of respectability and patriotism. Their use is a blot on justice in our land.

We urge you, Mr. Brownell, as Attorney General upon whom rests the responsibility for the administration of federal justice, to end the practice of using paid informers as a means of achieving convictions. We urge you therefore to institute a re-examination of the evidence supplied by these elements so that the fullest measure of justice may be granted to the victims of paid informers.

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Prof. Emeritus, Wellesley College.

# Auto crisis

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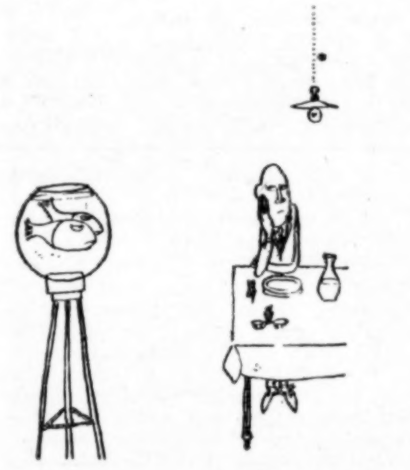
joined together, Nash and Hudson combined to form American Motors, and last week stockholders of the remaining two independents, Studebaker and Packard, voted to merge. On July 31 the N. Y. Times reported:

"What is happening . . . is that the big are getting bigger and the small are fading away."

It all spelled trouble in terms of increase unemployment, reduced workweeks and lowered wages for workers in auto and related industries, the biggest single segment of the U. S. labor force.

**WAY OUT—AND DOWN:** Early this year top officials of the CIO United Auto Workers Union, headed by Walter Reuther, worked out a novel trade union solution for these looming troubles. To help Kaiser - Willys strengthen its competitive position with the Big Three, union leaders persuaded Kaiser-Willys workers to accept a wage cut. That unexpected move alarmed most other auto union locals, but leaders argued the step was necessary to preserve the company and save jobs. They also insisted that employes would gain more in the long run through a bonus plan. But after the cut went into effect, the Kaiser-Willys plant in Toledo shut down for most of the summer and uncontradicted rumors now are that the whole plant is up for sale—possibly to Chrysler.

The Toledo action set a precedent. Studebaker was the next company to announce that it couldn't stay in business without a sizable reduction in labor costs. Studebaker's employment was down from 23,000 a year ago to about 10,000 working only four days every two weeks. The cut demanded amounted to 15-20% of take-home pay. A first vote of the local membership rejected the proposal, but leaders forced a reconsideration when the company announced it would abrogate its contract and hinted it might shut down its South Bend plant.



Vie Nuove, Rome
**"I don't like the way he looks at us since he lost his job. . . ."**

**"A DISTINCT TRIUMPH":** On Aug. 12 the members of UAW Local 5 voted 8 to 1 to accept the pay cut. To Studebaker pres. Harold S. Vance and board chairman Paul Hoffman the vote was "a distinct triumph for responsible labor leadership." Both said it cleared the way for merger with Packard. Said Local 5 pres. Louis Horvath:

"This has been the hardest job of our lives to ask the men to take a cut in pay. But that job was done and now we're asking management to do everything they said they would do."

But more problems loomed. As a result of the Hudson-Nash merger, it was announced that Hudson's Detroit assembly line would be shut down and the operations transferred to Nash plants in Wisconsin, leaving stranded and jobless some 4,600 Detroit Hudson employes, many of them with 20 or more years' seniority.

**VANISHING JOBS:** As the giants of the industry prepared for the next round of their battle for absolute supremacy, it was announced that shut-downs for model change-overs would be the longest since before World War II, ranging from two to eight weeks or longer. The **Wall St. Journal** reported:

"By fall, the number of jobless in the industry likely will mount to the highest point since 1946, with the impact being felt at auto assembly plants and by suppliers scattered from coast to coast."

Unemployment in Michigan, now about 230,000, is expected to go over 300,000 before fall.

**FURTHER OUTLOOK — DIM:** With this background, and with GM riding high on an inside track of a Big Business government, biggest trouble was due in 1955 when UAW major contracts are to be reopened. With the precedents of voluntary wage cuts in Toledo and South Bend, **Business Week** reported (8/14):

"Some of the motor makers' industrial relations people have resolved that in 1955 UAW cannot expect the small manufacturers to meet the wage scale and benefits offered by the Big Three."

The question: could the Big Three themselves be expected to hold still for wage increases while the union granted wage concessions to the very people they are trying to put out of business?

UAW Searchlight, Flint
**OPERATION EXPANSION**
***"Any automobile man worthy of his salt is finding the return to normal competitive conditions a thrilling challenge."***
**—H. H. Curtice, *Jan. 26, 1954.***

# Fascist laws

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gress on Aug. 12 as the upper chamber began consideration of the bill to destroy "Communist-infiltrated" unions. In a surprise move, Humphrey tacked on to it his measure making Communist Party membership a crime. After what the N. Y. **Times** described as "hours of confusion," during which the measure was so largely re-written on the floor that few Senators knew what they were voting for, the bill passed unanimously with an 85 to 0 vote. An effort to sidetrack the measure in favor of a study commission was earlier beaten 56 to 31.

The Administration was reported opposed to the Senate measure on the ground that penalizing CP membership would nullify existing legislation and the Brownell-Eisenhower "anti-subversive" program. Accordingly, a "compromise" was worked out: on Aug. 16 the House passed 305 to 2 a bill to strip the CP of all legal rights and immunities as a political organization, but not penalizing membership. This version went back to the Senate next day where the stampede turned into a rout. By a 41 to 39 vote the provision making membership a crime was re-inserted; two hours later the House voted 208 to 100 to accept the Senate version. Through all the confusion the bill's anti-union section was left intact.

**THE PALL OF FEAR:** What astounded Washington observers was the line-up: opposing the measure were all the arch-reactionaries of both houses; leading the stampede for it were Congressmen usually described as liberal, progressive or pro-labor. Of the 100 votes against it in the House, 99 were Republican. As the final version went to a joint House-Senate conference to adjust minor differences, it had been so re-written as to contain the bulk of a bill long sponsored by Rep. Martin Dies (D-Tex.), the original Congressional red-hunter.

Rep. Abraham J. Multer (D-N.Y.), only Democrat to vote "No" both times in the House, explained the mania:

"Almost every member thought it was a badly-drawn bill and an unwise bill but nearly everyone was afraid if they voted against it, their opponents would call them pro-Communist. You could almost reach out and feel the atmosphere of fear in the chamber."

**THE LAST HOPE:** As final Congressional action on the measure was awaited, there was flickering hope of reason prevailing in the joint conference, or of a Presidential veto. But with Congressional tempers unchanged, a veto could handily be overridden by more than the required two-thirds majorities in each house.

The suddenness, swiftness and irrationality of the whole action practically ruled out any organized, effective public opposition. The Communist Party called it the "illegitimate child of McCarthyism and cynical election-year politics . . . legislative Hitlerism . . . parliamentary hooliganism." The American Labor Party called it the produtc of "an atmosphere of hysteria unmatched in our legislative history."

One course of action was left: a flood of demands to the White House for a veto.

# The death of Carlos Soule Echeverria

LAST week the GUARDIAN told of a quiet victory, but since then death has robbed the story of its happy ending.

Carlos Soule Echeverria, who fought with the Loyalists in Spain, was to have been deported to Franco Spain and certain death on June 1. On May 28 a fellow prisoner on Ellis Island telephoned the GUARDIAN. The GUARDIAN alerted the Committee for Protection of Foreign Born whose lawyers, acting swiftly, delayed deportation. The Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade took care of Echeverria's other needs. On July 29 word came that Mexico had offered sanctuary; Echeverria was saved.

**THE 11th HOUR:** Last week Echeverria made plans to leave. He wrote a quick note to Moe Fishman, exec. secy. of the VALB, thanking

". . . the members of the VALB and and other friends who made it impossible for the Justice Dept. to send me to fascist Franco. . . . I wish every success to the VALB in its noble efforts to fight fascism."

Two days later Carlos Echeverria, 54, lay dead, still in custody on Ellis Island. The medical report ascribed death to a heart attack. The VALB said:

**"The inhuman treatment, harassment and persecution of this loyal anti-fascist by the Justice Dept. is in the main responsible for the death of our comrade Carlos."**

# A mother in prison tells her son why Mr. Money-bags wants her there

1448 Kalamath St.
Denver, Colo.

Dear Editor and Friend:

It is with great regret that I must ask you to stop our sub to your wonderful paper. You see, my husband and I (along with 5 other people) are now in the Denver County Jail on a Smith Act charge, and we cannot receive any papers or magazines. So send our sub to someone who wants the paper, but cannot afford it.

This is my first time in jail and it isn't bad at all—clean; food O. K.—the girls nice and friendly. But frankly, I don't want to stay here.

We are all very confident that our case can be won. We really believe this is nothing more than an election maneuver to keep people's minds off wages, high taxes, high cost of living and the biggest fear of all—another war. But did you ever know of anybody who could pay their grocery bill—their rent—or meet the March 15th deadline with a red herring?

Our case can be won, we know that. But we will need help. Letters to U. S. Commissioner Neff U. S. P. O. Bldg., Denver, asking for a reduction in bail. $100,000 bail apiece means no bail.

I was picked up at the airport while waiting for my son (age 9) to arrive. We had planned a month's vacation together. That was what was hard to take. I was only allowed about three minutes with him. And then I was taken away. He went with my girlfriend (a person he had never seen). But he is made of stern stuff and he offered her his spending money ($5) to help get his mommy out of jail.

All of us in jail are fine and in high spirits. And we'd love to receive mail. In case your readers would like to write to us, here is the roll call: Anna Bary, Arthur Bary, Louis Johnson, Joseph W. Scherrer, Harold Zepelin and Maia Scherrer.

I am enclosing a letter I received from my son and also a copy of my letter to him. I am convinced when people understand they will rally to our defense.

Yours for the protection of the Bill of Rights,
**Maia Scherrer**

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Dear Douglas:

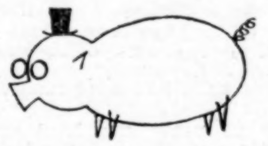
It was so good to see you last Monday. I will remember for a long, long time your smiling face and the happy way you ran to meet me.

I am sorry that the wonderful vacation plans Joe and I had made for you cannot take place. We had thought that we would all go to Mesa Verde and see the Indian ruins. And we had planned to go to the farm where Joe's mother and dad live. Do some horseback riding, fishing, some outdoor camping and mountain climbing. But all of this will have to wait another day. Dorothy wrote and said you are a wonderful boy. And I am very proud of you. Someday soon we will all be together again.

Douglas, you are still a young boy and may find this adult world hard to understand. But you must know that Joe and I have done no wrong. We are in jail only because of the thoughts and ideas we hold deep in our hearts.

Because we love you so much, we love all the children of the world—and it doesn't make any difference to us where they live or the color of their skin. Because we want you to have good things to eat—nice clothes to wear—fine toys to play with—a pretty house to live in—we want these things for all boys and girls, for all people. Because we want you to grow up and never have to go to war to kill another person—we want the world to live at peace.

And it is because we seek these things for you—and Ricky and Kathy—that we are in jail. It is terrible, but it is true, Douglas, that Mr. Money-bags only wants the good things in life for himself. He is very greedy and he does not care how many children and grown-ups have to suffer. And that is why we are here, because Mr. Money-bags is afraid that too



many people will believe as we do—and then he would lose all his money and he would have to go to work just as Joe and I, and millions of other common people.

A great big bunny hug and many kisses from your loving mother,
**Maia**

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Dear Maia and Joe:

I have a cowboy suit. I am on my way to St. Paul. I might be back in August.

I hope next year you and Joe and I will be in New York.

I am glad I saw you for a little while. I know that all our friends will help you and Joe out of jail.

With love,
**Douglas**

***THE GOVERNOR WAS "STUNNED"***

# Jackson, Miss., Negro leaders reject plan for 'voluntary' jimcrow in public schools

**By Eugene Gordon**

A HALLOWED Southern theory exploded in the face of Mississippi politicians recently when 99 of 100 Negro community leaders, in a Jackson meeting with the state's Legal Education Advisory Committee, bluntly turned down Gov. Hugh White's proposal for "voluntary" jimcrow in public schools. Summoned to the state's first official interracial conference, the Negroes told White:

"For the sake of our posterity we cannot do otherwise than take our stand for the ideals of our America and the whole free world—for justice, human brotherhood and equality of opportunity for all."

The Memphis **Commercial Appeal** reported Gov. White—who had been confident that 95% of the Negroes would go along—as exclaiming: "I am stunned!" "Completely shaken" by the rejection, he said:

"Now I am definitely of the conclusion you can't put any faith in anyone of them on this proposition."

**WHAT THEY WANT:** The Negroes—native Mississippian educators and editors—left with White their own program, beginning: "We are unalterably opposed to any effort of either white or Negro citizens to attempt to circumvent the decision of the Supreme Court . . . outlawing segregation in the public schools." Their program:

- "We invite all citizens to join hands to work for . . . more and better schools for every child in Mississippi" regardless of race;
- Appointment of Negroes to "all policy-making boards and committees at all levels in matters of human relations";
- While seeking to "preserve the present good relationship between the races . . . we respectfully request our state leaders and agencies not to ask us to do those things which would destroy our influence with our own people";
- "The only solution to the school problem that Mississippi can morally and financially afford . . . is to consolidate and integrate the present schools on all levels and then equalize and expand within the framework of consolidation and integration. . . . The principal requirement . . . is that each child attend the school nearest his or her home."

**CHARLES V. BUSH**
*The smile was warranted*

**LOUISIANA:** To continue the situation which Louisiana lawmakers say has brought "peace, order and health" for citizens enjoying "the way of life in the South," the state legislature July 13 passed three bills to keep public school segregation intact, despite Supreme Court rulings. The 3-point plan would:

(1) Ask voters' consent to a state constitution amendment granting use of police power to enforce school jimcrow; (2) get the same thing through legislative act; (3) empower school superintendents to assign children to specific schools in advance of the regular term.

The University of Missouri in deciding to end jimcrow by admitting Negroes to all departments ended a 16-year fight. Lloyd Gaines in 1938 was the first to sue the institution for rejecting a Negro. He lost, but a law school was set up at Lincoln University (Negro), in line with the U. S. Supreme Court ruling that "separate" facilities must be "equal." The high court's decision of last May 17, plus continued pressure by Negro students, forced Missouri to open all doors to Negroes.

**AFTER 97 YEARS:** The Natl. Education Assn., largest U. S. teacher-educator group, drew 20,000 from 46 states to its N. Y. C. convention in early July. For the first time in its 97 years NEA stood up for non-segregated schooling, with a resolution supporting the Supreme Court decision opposed only by Mississippi and S. Carolina delegates. Maryland seconded the resolution as put; Delaware, as guilty as any in the past, spoke "heartily" in favor. The convention applauded the statement by Philadelphia's Dr. Robert D. Clark that they shouldn't have had to wait for the court decision: "We dare to think the things we know are right to think, and we don't wait to think until the Supreme Court acts."

NAACP'S Thurgood Marshall, successful counsel in the school cases, in a three-day conference with 100 lawyers set Sept., 1955, as the end of the waiting period for completion of integration in all schools.

## Employment

The U. S. Supreme Court for the first time in its 165-year history selected a Negro youth to attend the Capitol Page School beginning next September. There he will complete his senior high school work and get a regular job as page boy for the Supreme Court justices. The Negro press agrees that 14-year-old Charles Vernon Bush, honor graduate last June from Banneker High School, was given the appointment as an example to Mississippi, S. Carolina, and other states resisting the jimcrow ban on public schools.

Bush's appointment was made by court marshal T. Perry Lippitt with approval of Chief Justice Earl Warren. That part of a page's job visible to spectators in the court is standing behind the justices when court is in session; he is also assigned "confidential tasks." Court page boys generally go on to lucrative law practice; Bush, however, wants to complete an engineering course at M. I. T.

In N. Y. C., Billy Rowe became the first Negro deputy police commissioner in the city's history under Mayor Impellitteri. Holding the title of 7th Deputy, he was advisor on Negro affairs. Robert J. Mangum, 42, college graduate and lawyer, succeeded Rowe when Mayor Wagner took office. The mayor last month abolished the 7th Deputyship and made Mangum Deputy Commissioner in charge of taxicab, cabaret and other licenses, in addition to his former duties.

## Housing

Exec. secretary Walter White of the NAACP last month got a promise from Atty Gen. Brownell to "investigate" the continuous rioting around Chicago's Trumbull Park Homes. For more than a year police have kept a 24-hour vigil against white mobs trying to drive Negroes from the federally-owned project. Property damage by hoodlums has run into thousands; yet despite appeals, White said, neither city nor federal authorities have taken "effective punitive action against the mobsters," many of whom live in the project. A federal statute provides a $10,000 fine and 10-year sentence for persons convicted of destroying government-owned property. The NAACP cited Levittown, N. Y. and Penn., as examples of lilywhite communities built with mortgage money insured by the Federal Housing Administration.

Negroes trying to better their housing conditions have been attacked also in St. Louis, Birmingham, and Greater New York. The Detroit Housing Commission recently defied a federal court order against the theory of "separate but equal" housing for Negroes; but the San Francisco Housing Authority, as a result of the high court school ruling, dropped its jimcrow pattern.

## Armed Services

New York Democratic Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, on tour of army installations in Europe, told U. S. and French reporters in Paris of complaints by Negro soldiers stationed at Chateauroux Air base. "Not only do the men call that 'Little Mississippi,'" Powell said, "but many veteran servicemen say it is the worst post they've ever been assigned to." Powell's itinerary included also U. S. bases in North Africa. He said:

"Chateauroux is bad for both white and colored, but due to the worst elements of 'the American way of life,' the French are being forced to practice segregation and erect color barriers to a degree that is almost unbelievable."

Two of the town's three bars refuse to serve Negroes; the third is off-limits to whites. A white U. S. army captain let townspeople know that any French girl who danced with or was otherwise friendly toward a Negro soldier would be arrested, "boycotted," or banished. Any girl or woman employed at the post exchange would lose her job unless she showed scorn toward Negroes.

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**BILLION DOLLAR BABY IN A CLOAK-AND-DAGGER STORE**

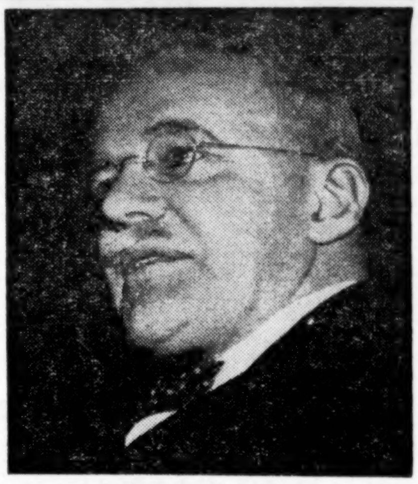
# How the people's elected government of E. Pakistan was crushed by Washington's agents in a preview of the Guatemala coup

*For whatever light it may throw on methods in use by Allen Dulles' billion-dollar Central Intelligence Agency to overthrow independent governments wherever Washington needs a satellite, we publish below a digest of two reports (6/5, 19) by the E. Pakistan correspondent of Blitz, the mass-circulation, pro-Nehru news-weekly of Bombay, India.*

*Washington's efforts to assemble some Asian nations for its SEATO (S. E. Asian Treaty Organization) conference in the Philippines next month made Pakistan of key importance: India, Burma, Ceylon and Indonesia refused to participate and Thailand and the Philippines are the only other Asian nations accepting.*

*The Pakistan background is that last March in E. Pakistan (containing 56% of Pakistan's population) a united front of parties, including the Communist, overwhelmingly defeated the candidates of the ruling, pro-Washington Moslem League. Less than a week after the new Fazlul Huq government began putting its independent policies into effect, riots occurring at large paper and jute mills enabled Mohammed Ali, the pro-Washington Premier in Karachi, W. Pakistan, to dissolve the Huq government. He appointed a military government under Defense Minister Maj. Gen. Iskandar Mirza, to "restore law and order."*

*Five copies of this story of U. S. Guatemala-style involvement in the overthrow of the elected government were sent to Blitz through different channels, wrote its editor; only one arrived; "the rest, we presume, were killed by Gen. Mirza's censors." The "underground tribunal" referred to as digging out the facts of the coup is a united front body operating secretly in the reign of terror now in progress in E. Pakistan.*



**ALLEN W. DULLES**
*Mr. X got his orders*

DACCA, E. PAKISTAN

SENSATIONAL evidence is being uncovered daily, or rather nightly [by the underground] tribunal . . . set up to investigate and record all available evidence on the "Reichstag Fire" plot with the help of which the American Ambassador and the W. Pakistan Premier succeeded in overthrowing the popular Huq Ministry and imposing a military dictatorship upon E. Pakistan.

Evidence shows that half a dozen top-secret police agents known to be veteran agents-provocateurs came down here a fortnight before the riots and stayed in different places under assumed names. Simultaneously came an American "Colonel Sahib" (believed to be Brig. Russell Haight, the Pentagon agent who led the first Pakistani invasion of Kashmir dressed as a Pathan chieftain). These men were sent from Karachi to create such disturbances as would blow up the unwanted Huq Ministry.

**ENTER THE AMBASSADOR:** Diplomatic and political sources, foreign correspondents and dispatches of the pro-American United Press of India strongly suggest that the American Ambassador Mr. Hildreth played an important and decisive role in the dissolution of the [Huq] Ministry. Mr. Hildreth is known to have bluntly told the Pakistan Premier that E. Pakistan would have to be governed in a drastic manner, and this could only be done by establishment of Governor's rule under a strong military man of American choice. He "suggested" for this post Defense Secy. Gen. Iskandar Mirza, who negotiated the U. S. military aid to Pakistan and the U. S.-sponsored Pak-Turkey pact.

U. S. strategists have made no secret that E. Pakistan, lying near the frontiers of China, occupies a more important strategic position than W. Pakistan in the overall American strategy in Asia.

**THE MAN FROM BERLIN:** Last week a high person officially associated with the American Mission in Dacca related [to the tribunal] this eye-popping story.

Soon after the rout of the Moslem League in E. Pakistan, an American OSS agent [traveling] on a diplomatic passport bearing the name of "Mr. Dan Leeway" was rushed to Dacca from Washington via Karachi. In U. S.

United Nations photo

**THE PEOPLE OF PAKISTAN ARE 76 MILLION**
*But Washington sees their country only as a springboard*

circles, he was known as "Mr. X" and was so mentioned in all official, diplomatic and secret dispatches. He lived and worked in Dacca with Mr. Fentress Gardiner, USIS Public Affairs Officer.

"Mr. X," it came to be known soon, was in W. Berlin during the E. Berlin riots. His diplomatic bag, according to testimony before the tribunal, contained a number of typical OSS gadgets: radio transmitters and receivers, miniature cameras, revolvers and wrist-size radio receivers-cum-transmitters that would be worn like [wrist] watches. The 2-way wrist radio is now seen on the hands of Gen. Iskandar Mirza, Mr. Nurul Amin, former Moslem League Premier, and the Inspector-General of Police, who became a special "buddy" of "Mr. X."

**THE "REICHSTAG FIRE":** According to this testimony, the operative role of American intervention in E. Pakistan falls into six distinct phases.

Phase One covers American support and $100,000 subsidies given to the Moslem League during the elections, which were switched over to "Operation Scuttle" to prevent the United Front from forming a government by plunging E. Pakistan into a series of bloody riots that would force Governor's rule upon the state. The American hand was behind the riots leading up to the final holocaust at the Chandraghone Paper Mills on March 22—on the eve of the formation of the Huq Ministry.

Phase Two begins with the arrival of "Mr. X" [and the] "Colonel Sahib." Between the U. S. Ambassador and "Mr. X," who were known to be in constant wireless contact, the "Reichstag Fire" was decided upon, with the paper mills riot as a miniature model for the bigger show.

**THE HOLOCAUST:** Phase Three proceeded simultaneously with Phase Two in an attempt to bribe, bully and blackmail Mr. Huq and his colleagues to toe the U. S.-W. Pakistani line. . . . [Mr. Huq] retorted by asking the "Shaltanzadas" (progeny of Satan) to go to their "Great Grandfather, the Devil." "Mr. X" exclaimed angrily: "That chappie Huq threatens to announce his Cabinet on May 13 [which] is an unlucky number. Huq will probably be attending his funeral that day."

Phase Four of the plot [involved] the Adamji Jute Mills, the biggest W. Pakistani commercial enterprise in E. Pakistan. There were a series of top-secret nocturnal conferences either at the home of Mr. Gardiner or Mr. Nurul Amin, in which "Mr. X," the American "Colonel Sahib,' 'the imported W. Pakistani agents and three managers of the Adamji Mills, two of whom were later arrested by the Huq Ministry, joined and took active part. What followed is now history . . . the holocaust which cost E. Pakistan some 200 killed and 500 injured.

**THE FAKE INTERVIEW:** Phase Five [concerned] the fabrication of Huq's "interview" with an American correspondent of the N. Y. **Times**, demanding "independence" for E. Pakistan, [which Huq characterized as] "a deliberate falsehood committed deliberately." Still Premier Mohammed Ali humiliated Huq by confronting him with the American correspondent and taking the word of an American against that of his Moslem compatriot.

Phase Six of American intervention followed in a fortnight's "cold war" between the U. S. Ambasasdor and the W. Pakistan government [which] was "of half a dozen minds" on the issue of the dismissal of the Huq government. "Mr. X" bribed a mill worker in the biggest mustard oil refinery of Dacca to throw concentrated arsenic into the main storage tank. The man did the job [but] reported the incident to his union leader, who informed the police. Poison sufficient to kill an entire suburb was found in the storage tank. The Huq government went into the whole matter; the crime was traced to "Mr. X" [who] had already left Dacca, reportedly for Karachi.

**DAWN:** On May 30 [the Moslem League newspaper] **Dawn** of Karachi front-paged this story [but attributed the poisoning to] an underground Communist! . . . Ambassador Hildreth personally delivered a proof of the **Dawn** report before the issue was published to Premier Mohammed Ali, with an ultimatum that a provisional plan already organized for the dismissal of the Huq Ministry and imposition of the Mirza Governorship be executed immediately and all Communists and fellow-travelers rooted out mercilessly.

Both plans were executed immediately.

## HOT SEATO!

*America has proposed a South East Asia Treaty Organization, on the lines of NATO, to "contain communism.".*

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I'll not come into your parlor,
To the spider said the fly,
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But I feel I must be wary,
For I really think that I'm too young to die!

—SCORPIO
Blitz, Bombay, India

New Age, New Delhi, India

THE PRIMARIES UP TO DATE

# Idaho Democrats nominate Glen Taylor; Informer Matt Cvetic licked by Eberharter

LOOKING ahead toward this fall's campaign for control of Congress (35 Senate, all 435 House seats are at stake in what promises to be a rough, dirty fight), U. S. voters showed many signs of having had enough of both Eisenhower's and McCarthy's crusades. At the same time the House-Senate votes to outlaw the Communist Party showed the extent to which any real choice between progress and reaction has disappeared.

In some recent primary contests where the choice was less than clear-cut, voters have done what they could by defeating ulta-conservatives in favor of less reactionary candidates. Elsewhere there have been comparatively bright spots on the early political horizon.

Herblock in Washington Post

**"It never existed—and I killed it"**

**LABOR BACKS TAYLOR:** One of these was the re-emergence of Idaho's Glen H. Taylor as a serious contender for the Senate seat he won in 1944 and left to run for Vice-President on the Progressive Party ticket in 1948. Last February he announced his intention to enter the Democratic primaries:

"I am a candidate for the seat presently warmed by the Hon. Henry C. Dworshak."

He was backed by the railroad brotherhoods, the AFL, the CIO and independent unions in his state and ran on a straight anti-Eisenhower platform, describing himself as "against practically everything the Administration has done." On Aug. 10 he won the Democratic nomination, defeating State Rep. Claude Burtenshaw, a political science professor at a small Mormon college. A poor loser, Burtenshaw charged that "it looks like the left wing has taken over the Democratic Party" in Idaho. Taylor called the remark "unfortunate," went ahead with preparations for a tough fight in November against Dworshak, a staunch McCarthy supporter.

Another bright item was the defeat in Pennsylvania's 28th Congressional District of Matt Cvetic, glorified government informer for pay. Winner was incumbent Rep. Herman P. Eberharter, a Democrat with a liberal voting record who has taken some strong positions against the Eisenhower-Brownell drive to abolish the Bill of Rights.

**KEFAUVER VICTORY HAILED:** In Tennessee Sen. Estes Kefauver, described by the CIO News as "a valiant liberal" and "a symbol . . . of the TVA," won a thumping 2-to-1 Democratic primary victory over Rep. Pat Sutton. In Tennessee, victory in a primary is almost equivalent to election. Sutton denounced Kefauver as an internationalist and hinted he is a "communist"; he described himself as an American. Other Sutton planks included a proposal that the U.S. get out of UN and UN get out of the U.S., and a refusal to accept the Supreme Court decision banning segregation in public schools. Gov. Frank G. Clement was also renominated. Said the CIO News:

"The Kefauver and Clement victories were important triumphs for liberals, and both candidates had strong CIO support."

**A REVIVAL:** In Texas Gov. Allan Shivers, an Eisenhower Democrat, failed to capture the primaries and now faces an Aug. 28 run-off with Ralph Yarborough, whom Shivers has formerly defeated decisively; in N. Carolina middle-of-the-roader Kerr Scott won the Democratic nomination against incumbent Sen. Alton Lennon, who conducted a rough campaign on racial issues; in Arkansas Orval Faubus won a run-off contest with incumbent Gov. Francis Cherry, even though Faubus was accused as a "subversive" because he once spent a couple of weeks in the 30's at left-wing Commonwealth College; in Alabama Sen. John Sparkman won handily over reactionary Rep. Laurie Battle. To the Alsop brothers, columnists, these results in the South represent a "revival of orthodox Democratic politics" and are a sign of political progress.

In Detroit there was an unexpected Democratic primary upset: winner was State Sen. Charles C. Diggs Jr. over incumbent Rep. George D. O'Brien in the 13th CD. Diggs has long been associated with progressive causes and is the first Negro in the state in 20 years to win a Congressional primary nomination. He is considered a probable winner in November because the district usually elects a Democrat.

### What language

Prior to 1946, forces participating in maneuvers were divided into two sections. However, this did not prepare the soldiers for combat with an Smgus-tfainsstlendinihducfit enemy that used foreign tactics, spoke a different language and wore strange uniforms.

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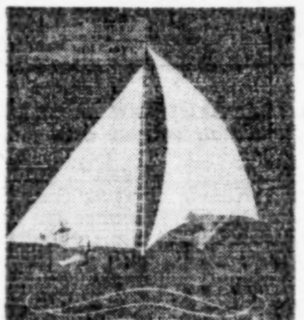
New Year in August?



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**AS MARC'S BODY WAS TAKEN FROM THE FUNERAL HOME**
*The Rev. Notar (profile, right) prays as the honorary pallbearers wait*

# Marc funeral

*(Continued from Page 1)*

he was in Congress he fought sometimes a lone fight, laboring ceaselessly for an America where people could live in peace, within and without.

"He did not maintain an outward expression of religion but he was a deeply religious man. He had a compassionate spirit. The door of his home, the door of his heart, were always open to black and to white alike.

"He literally hated opportunism, whether in politics or in the church. He never allowed himself to be as a flag in the wind. I am sure he felt it was better for him to live one day like a lion than a thousand years as a lamb."

**"A GREAT MAN":** DuBois extolled his old friend—and defense attorney in the Justice Dept. attack on officials of the Peace Information Center—as "a politician in the highest sense of that mutilated word." Said the 86-year-old historian and teacher, recalling Marc's "lone vote against the crime of our entering the war in Korea":

"In this day of shameful hesitation Marcantonio took a firm stand when most men dared not whisper. He was not a capitalist, he was not a communist, but he maintained that Americans had a right to believe whatever seems right to them. . . . That no man should be punished for his faith but only for his acts; and that the punishment of men not for what they do but for what they think is an attack upon the fundamental rights of American citizens. . . . He believed in America when America no longer believed in itself. He talked America, defended America and suffered for America. He was a great American; but he was also a great man, and this nation could offer him nothing that ever could make him forget his essential manhood."

**LAST GOODBYE:** Traffic on First Av. in the neighborhood of the funeral home at 115th St. was halted for more than an hour while the procession formed, headed by fifteen coaches laden with flowers. The people thronged both sides of the avenue for blocks, flowing into the side streets. Every window in the tenements and storefronts of the neighborhood was occupied, some hung with flowers, bits of tinsel and carefully-prepared farewell messages.

As the procession wound through the community, a baseball team of small Puerto Rican boys stood at attention in uniforms bearing the team name "Marcantonio's Jrs." As the hearse passed at the head of the procession, people everywhere crossed themselves and offered prayers, waved, cried: "Goodbye, Marc!"

**WHAT THEY REMEMBERED:** The mourners were a rarely-seen cross section of New York's people—mostly the poor and toilworn, but of every national background, of every age from very old to very young. They had come from all corners of the city but most were residents of Marc's own district who, as the **Daily News** wrote, "remembered him as one who had taken time to listen to their troubles and who had often extended a helping hand." (**The Herald Tribune** began its account on p. 1 by referring to "Communist Party faithful" who came "in response to a front-page notice of the funeral in 'The Daily Worker' . . . regarded in party circles as an order to appear.") An elderly woman of Italian origin, with red-rimmed eyes, said to a group of reporters in the middle of First Av.:

"He was a good man. He did many things for me and he would never take a cent. That's the way he was with everybody. They called him a communist. He was no communist But I don't care if he was. He was a good man, and my tears are for him."

When the procession reached Woodlawn cemetery in the Bronx it had increased to more than the 105 cars which started out. Hundreds of mourners came by subway, by bus and on foot to attend the burial.

**A WOMAN WEEPS**
*This window scene was repeated all along the line*

**FELLOW FIGHTERS:** Honorary pallbearers included John Abt, his law associate in the legal challenge of the McCarran Act and other civil liberties cases; former Gov. Elmer Benson, chair. of the Progressive Party; former Congressman John T. Bernard; Municipal Court Judge Joseph Boccia, Charles Collins, Lionel Berman, Dr. Leonard Covello, Dr. Gilberto Concepcion de Gracia, Clifford Durr; Fur union leader Ben Gold, recently defended by Marcantonio against a Taft-Hartley Law perjury charge; Congressman Arthur G. Klein, Corliss Lamont, Frank Maurelli, Clifford T. McAvoy, Manuel Medina, Richard Sasuly, Arthur Schutzer, Alfred K. Stern, Abraham Unger, Luke Wilson, Henry Wittner and Claude Yearwood.

Marcantonio's widow, Miriam Sanders Marcantonio, and a group of close associates are planning a suitable memorial to be erected in the East Harlem community.

*MANY CANDIDATES WITHDRAWN*

# ALP will not buck major party 'anti-McCarthyites'

THE American Labor Party regrouped its forces last week in face of "an atmosphere of hysteria unmatched in our legislative history." To further the "unity of all people who cherish our Constitution and Bill of Rights," the ALP withdrew candidates in all districts where major party candidates are "committed to fight against McCarthyism" and in some districts where issues of Negro or Puerto Rican representation are at stake.

Typical of the districts where the ALP will leave a blank line are the 19th in Manhattan, where the ALP will seek to avoid a collision with Rep. Arthur G. Klein, and the 11th in Brooklyn-Queens where Rep. Emanuel Celler is up for re-election.

**WHERE THEY'LL RUN:** The ALP will not oppose re-election of Puerto Rican Felipe N. Torres to the Assembly from the Bronx's 4th AD or of Negro Assemblyman Walter H. Gladwin in the 6th AD, Bronx.

The precise districts where ALP will run were still uncharted as political lines shifted, but spokesmen indicated that the party would enter races in:

Brooklyn, 19, out of 32 Assembly Districts; all but 2 State Senatorial districts, 6 out of 19 Congressional Ditricts.

Manhattan, 10 out of 16 AD's; 4 out of 6 SD's, 1 out of 6 CD's.

Bronx, 7 out of 12 AD's, 2 out of 4 SD's, 1 out of 4 CD's.

In Queens the Assembly races were still undecided but there will be a candidate in every SD and in 2 out of the 4 CD's.

**PROGRAM ISSUED:** The ALP said that regardless of certain strategic blank lines on the ballot the party will "conduct a vigorous independent campaign" on the issues of McCarthyism at home, co-existence, recognition of China and East-West trade. The campaign will center around the candidate for Governor and the state-wide slate to be picked by the state convention in September, as well as the legislative candidates already in the field.

Timed with its slate-reshuffling, the ALP published its election program, titled "A Program For Jobs in N. Y.

State." In it the party favors "any plan which will end the cold war . . . by negotiations"; an "anti-depression program" which would extend unemployment insurance benefits, increase minimum wages to $1.25 an hour, strengthen FEPC, stimulate low-cost housing developments and school aid. The program calls also for a "fight against McCarthyism . . . "whether in Washington, Albany or City Hall," repeal of the 15% rent increase, return of the 10c fare.

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**See you August 27-29 at GUARDIAN's Week-end at White Lake Lodge.**

*THE BROOKLYN RUNAWAY*

# Razor Corp. workers accept terms in face of company ultimatum

THE American Safety Razor Corp., determined to run away from Brooklyn to cheap-labor, jimcrow Staunton, Va., handed an ultimatum to its 1,400 workers at the close of business on Friday, Aug. 13: unless the United Electrical Workers Local 475, representing about 1,000, signed a contract on the company's terms over the week-end, the plant would not reopen Monday morning. The company, set to move next May, would speed up its move, leave the workers behind without even minimum severance and pension agreements.

On Sunday night 600 members of the local met in St. James Hall, Jay and Chapel Sts., Brooklyn, and voted unanimously to acccept the company's terms as the only way to have a place to work Monday morning.

**PENSIONS AND PROTESTS:** The new contract's terms guarantee the workers' jobs in the Brooklyn plant until May. At that time workers under 60 will get severance pay at the rate of one week for every year of service. Those over 60 will get 1½ weeks' pay for each year. Those 65 and over will get pensions; those between 63 and 65 will have their choice of severance pay or pensions after two years.

The union all along contested the company's right to abandon the Brooklyn site, then demanded that if the company moved it grant two weeks' pay for every year of service plus pension rights for those eligible. The agreement was reached after intercession by federal mediators.

Union spokesmen said after the meeting that the local would spend the next 10 months rallying public opinion against the runaway plan. They have already won promises from most Brooklyn Congressmen to press for a Congressional probe of the runaway problem that plagues many industries in the northeast, particularly textile and garment.

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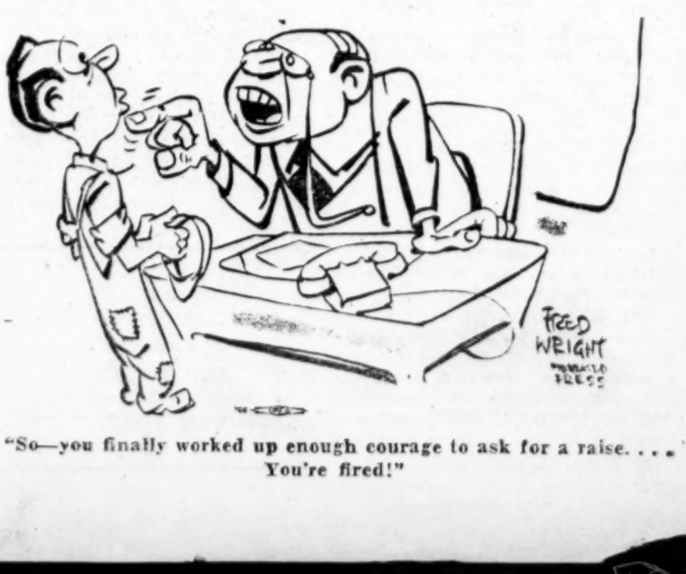


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"A DETERMINATION AS FIRM AS A ROCK"

# Seven Congressmen eulogize Marc on House floor as 'truly good American,' honored and respected

*On Aug. 10 seven members of the House of Representatives rose to pay tribute to the late Vito Marcantonio. Here are excerpts:*

**EMANUEL CELLER OF N. Y.**

"He was a Member of this House who always fought hard for what he deemed right. He always fought fair. He had great courage and determination—a determination as firm as a rock you hold in your hand and a courage as fierce as lightning. He brought to bear upon his services in this House erudition, keen intelligence, hard work, and what to him was a sincerity of purpose. . . . He ever stood for the preservation of fundamental liberties, and . . . always sought the enhancement of human rights and human welfare.

"He was indeed a redoubtable opponent. One had to bring up the best of his battalions even to meet him on equal terms. . . . He was one of the most skilled debaters in the Congresses he attended. . . . He was ever kind, modest, and just. . . . There was no personal animosity about him; there was never self-pity. He was ever cordial and friendly. He was respected by his colleagues."

**JOHN A. BLATNIK OF MINN.**

"Those who have known him —including those who disagreed with him most strongly —will all admit that he was a most honest, courageous, sincere and warmhearted person who served his constituents well. . . . I liked him personally very much, and I respected him for his courage and for his willingness to stand up on an issue even when he stood alone. It is always a simple matter to take a position when one is part of the majority—but it takes real conviction to stand up and be counted when you are by yourself or with only a small minority. . . .

"I never heard of him taking an unfair advantage of anyone, nor did I ever hear him utter a malicious word about even his worst enemies. In fact, he was an honorable man who conducted himself as a gentleman and a Member of the Congress of the United States."

**EUGENE J. McCARTHY OF MINNESOTA**

"I knew him during only one term in this Congress . . . and I say quite frankly that never did he support anything on the floor of this House or advocate anything which any good American, allowing for the great differences of opinion among Americans, might not have advocated and any Christian might not have advocated. . . .

"[He] was a lonely man . . . a hard and vigorous advocate of his causes . . . a man who honored his word."

**ARTHUR G. KLEIN OF N. Y.**

"He was my friend. I loved him, although I was in complete disagreement with his political views. . . . When he thought he was right there was no way of changing his views. He was consistent, he was hard working, and represented his constituents ably. Many of us will miss him. I know that every Member of this House who knew him respected him and liked him, although I suppose not many will get up here and say so."

**EUGENE J. KEOGH OF N. Y.**

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The new police "drive" in New York means increased police lawlessness, as the Civil Liberties Union points out, and more intensified police terror in Harlem. Mayor Wagner's Police Commissioner let the cat out of the bag when he said that expenditures for social reforms were incompatible with an expansion of the Police Dept.

We could hardly expect anything else from New York's chief cop. But now our chief magistrate, Murtaugh, as he steps from his judicial Cadillac, tells us that our subway cars and stations are too clean and there are not enough subway cops. Let the grime and rust accumulate for another 50 years (in any case, the Board of Transportation has been doing just that). How foolish for the sardine-straphangers to think that more trains and new subway lines are needed! How blind of us not to see the terrible dearth of subway cops!

There is nothing new in the wave of crime statistics and police raids which are now our daily fare. It is the typical technique of a small-time political adventurer, and has been used by many enterprising ward heelers, from the fictitious Elmer Gantry to the unfortunately real Thomas Dewey.

What is new is the widespread and continuous nature of the present police banditry. Plainclothes policemen attack a group of boys in the Times Square area because they are wearing dungarees and are walking several abreast (a frightful crime). Others are arrested because they are Puerto Ricans (a greater crime) and are told by the magistrate to stay out of Times Square. For Times Square is to be reformed. It is to be made into the exclusive preserve of the American Legion rowdies and the notoriously moral rich.

In neighboring middle-class Levittown, too, the Nassau police recently attacked a group of youths because they were standing on a street corner. The young men resisted, and were charged with felonious assault.

The prevailing plan for the education of the American youth is one of intimidation, brutality and terrorism. The drill-sergeant's abuse and the policeman's club are to be our way of life. This is the physical aspect of the culture of Mickey Spillane and Hollywood war movies which have already resulted in such horrible tragedies.

Outraged New Yorkers must speak out against Wagner's police lawlessness and terror. They need more trees in their parks, not more idle policemen to harass them there. Their sons and daughters need more schools and recreational facilities, not more jails and reformatories.

An Outraged New Yorker

## Crime factories

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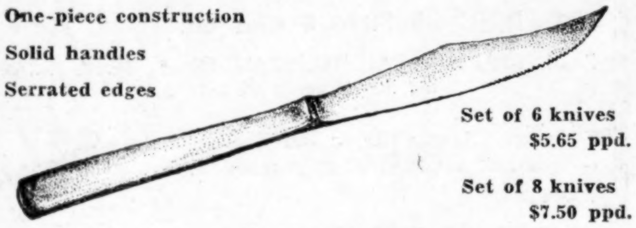

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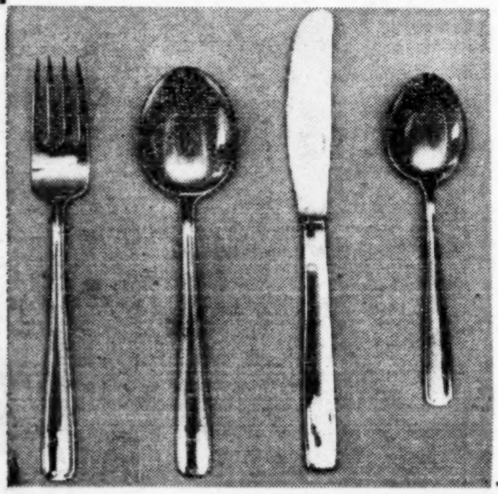

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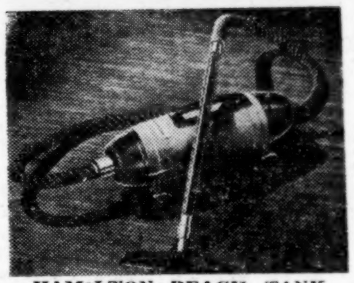

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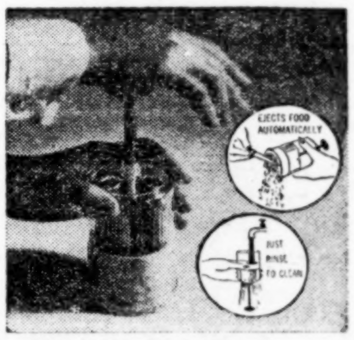


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Not in a long time has this reviewer read such a good piece of story telling about a world which not too many white persons know. One comes away from the book richer in human lore and wiser and perhaps chastened for having assumed that we knew a great deal.

It is a fine thing for such a book to be published by a big American publishing house. When such a thing can still happen there is indeed reason to celebrate. By all means buy and read **Youngblood** and let Dial know what a constructive piece of therapy it has contributed to the healing of our sick culture.

FROM GEORGIA the scene shifts to a Pennsylvania mining town; and just as the Crossroads of **Youngblood** may be many cities, so may the Goldsborough which gives Stefan Heym's latest book its title.** But, unlike Crossroads, Goldsborough and its people come alive only in flickering spurts.

Inevitably Heym's book must compare for this reviewer with Philip Bonosky's **Purple Valley**, that splendid recent novel of a Pennsylvania steel community, and it does not stand up to the comparison: the sensitivity and lusty vigor of the Bonosky book overshadow the detached intellect of **Goldsborough.** Perhaps Heym has failed because it is a book written from the outside looking in, after a too-brief encounter with the people of Goldsborough. It is a place that Heym knows not nearly so well as his native land, and this fact is underscored by the penetrating sympathy of Heym's **The Eyes of Reason**, a fine novel of post-war Czechoslovakia.

In **Goldsborough** the conflict of the miners, at home, in the mines and on the picket lines in the harshness of a strike in a benighted American city in the 40's does not come through. Some of the figures are mere sketches and the motivation and understanding of many of the workers seem too limited, for all the perversions of 20th century America at midpassage.

Occasionally the novel bursts into flame, but the fire too often dies down. It is an interesting book, but often contrived. In its commendable attempt at realistic simplicity, it overlooks the complexity of the human being. Especially does it fail in its distasteful portrayal of its women. And it would be stimulating if this criticism starts a controversy on what is formally known as the Woman Question, but which this writer would rather regard as part of the People Question.

**YOUNGBLOOD, by John O. Killens. The Dial Press, 461 Fourth Av., New York, N. Y. 556 pp. $3.95.*

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